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3-14-03**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: SHAO et al.

Art Unit: 1646

Serial No. 09/804,472

Examiner: N. Basi

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For: ISOLATED HUMAN TRANSPORTER
PROTEINS, NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES
ENCODING HUMAN TRANSPORTER
PROTEINS, AND USES THEREOF

**Response to Restriction Requirement and
Preliminary Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

By Facsimile

Sir:

This is in response to a written restriction requirement on March 22, 2002 issued for the above referenced application. **Please charge the petition for one-month Extension of Time to Deposit Account No. 50-0970.**

By way of response, Applicants hereby elect claim group II, claims 4-6, 8-11 and 22-23, directed to nucleic acid molecules, vectors, host cells, etc., for examination and have canceled claims corresponding to the non-elected groups I, III-XI.

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-3, 5-7, and 10-23 as being directed to non-elected subject matter or being made redundant by way of the amendments below.

Please amend claims 4 and 8 as follows: